Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system comprising a transmitter for transmitting a plurality of control messages relating to a broadcast stream to a receiver, each of said control messages being associated with information relating to a transmission time for control messages that are to be transmitted in the future.

2. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein said control messages include the future transmission time information.

3. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the transmission time information comprises information relating to the transmission time of the next control message to be transmitted.

4. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the transmission time information comprises a schedule of transmission time information for future control messages.

5. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the transmission time information comprises information defining the transmission time of the next control message that contains content different from content previously transmitted.

6. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein said control messages are intended for a specified address and the future transmission time information comprises information as to when future messages are to be sent to the specified address.

7. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 6, wherein the specified address comprises an address of a smart card, a predetermined group of smart cards or all smart cards.

8. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the control messages comprise entitlement management messages.

9. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the control messages comprise entitlement control messages.

10. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the transmitter is also configured to transmit the broadcast stream.

11. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the transmitter for transmitting the control messages comprises a first transmitter and the system further comprises a second transmitter for transmitting the broadcast stream.

12. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 11, wherein the control messages sent from the first transmitter comprise entitlement management messages.

13. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 12, wherein the broadcast stream includes entitlement control messages.

14. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 1, wherein the transmission time information further comprises information defining transmission parameters for the control messages.

15. (Withdrawn) A conditional access system according to claim 14, wherein the transmission parameters include information on the bearers, or on the networks or on the operators providing the control messages.

16. (Previously Presented) A receiver for use in a conditional access system comprising:

an input module for receiving a plurality of control messages relating to broadcast content, each of said control messages being associated with time information relating to a transmission time for control messages which are to be transmitted to the receiver in the future; and

a selective activation module for selectively activating the receiver to receive the future control messages at the transmission time.

17. (Previously Presented) A receiver according to claim 16, wherein the selective activation module includes a processor module for extracting said transmission time information from said control messages.

18. (Previously Presented) A receiver according to claim 16, wherein the selective activation module include a controller for setting a power-up time for the receiver based on said transmission time information.

19. (Original) A receiver according to claim 18, wherein the controller is configured to set the power up time to take account of delays in powering up the receiver.

20. (Previously Presented) A receiver according to claim 18, wherein the controller is configured to monitor the power-up time and to turn on the receiver when the power-up time is reached.

21. (Previously Presented) A receiver according to claim 16, comprising a mobile receiver.

22. (Currently Amended) A mobile receiver according to claim 21, ~~operable~~ configured in accordance with the Digital Video Broadcasting DVB-H specification.

23. (Previously Presented) A receiver according to claim 16, configured to request the transmission time information independently of the control messages.

24. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a conditional access system, in which a receiver is ~~operable~~ configured to receive a plurality of control messages that are associated with transmission time information relating to a transmission time of future control messages, the method comprising selectively activating the receiver to receive the future control messages at the transmission time.

25. (Original) A method according to claim 24, further comprising incorporating said time information into each of the control messages.

26. (Previously Presented) A conditional access system, comprising:

a transmitter for transmitting a plurality of control messages, each of the messages including information relating to a predetermined transmission time for future control messages;

a receiver for receiving the control messages; and

a selective activation module for selectively activating the receiver to receive the future control message at the predetermined time.

27. (Currently Amended) A mobile transceiver for use in a conditional access system, the mobile transceiver being configured to request transmission time information for conditional access messages to be transmitted in the future, the transceiver further being configured to receive the transmission time information ~~and to use the information to set a time.~~

wherein the transceiver includes a selective activation module for selectively turning on a receiver to receive the messages at a time that substantially coincides with the future conditional access message transmission time.

28. (Original) A mobile transceiver according to claim 27, wherein the conditional access messages comprise entitlement management messages.

29. (Previously Presented) A mobile transceiver according to claim 27, wherein the transmission time information is sent in a messaging service format.

30. (Original) A mobile transceiver according to claim 29, wherein the messaging service format comprises SMS or MMS.

31. (Currently Amended) A method of operating a mobile transceiver in a conditional access system, the mobile transceiver being configured to request transmission time information for conditional access messages to be transmitted in the future, the transceiver further being configured to receive the transmission time information, the method comprising selectively turning on a receiver to receive the messages at a time that substantially coincides with the future conditional access message transmission time.

32. (Withdrawn) A subscription authorisation system for use in a conditional access system to provide a plurality of control messages to a receiver, the control messages relating to a service provided to the receiver by a service provider, each of said control messages being associated with information relating to a transmission time for control messages that are to be transmitted in the future.

33. (Withdrawn) A subscription authorisation system according to claim 32, in which the control messages are provided by the service provider.

34. (Withdrawn) A subscription authorisation system according to claim 33, in which the control messages are provided from the service provider to a transmitter for onward transmission to the receiver.

35. (Cancelled)